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German Document No. 1022382 is not in English. A concise English-language explanation of the relevance of German Document No. 1022382 can be found in lines 7-21 on page 1 of the specification of the Applicants' related U.S. Application No. 08/961,956 (copy enclosed).

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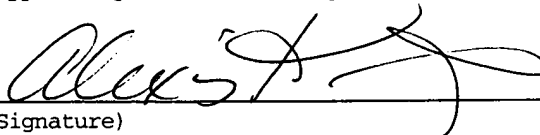
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